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The Honorable Penny Pritzker  
Secretary  
United States Department of Commerce  
1401 Constitution Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Madam Secretary:

I am writing to provide you with an update on the continued efforts to redevelop the former General Motors Moraine Assembly Plant in Moraine, Ohio.

As you know, in the wake of the General Motors (GM) bankruptcy, the United States government, through the Treasury Department, became GM's largest single shareholder. As part of its ownership interest, Treasury sought to close several GM facilities – the Moraine Plant among them. The Moraine Plant received significant interest from “scrap dealers” who sought to demolish the facility, rather than preserve and redevelop it as a site for jobs in the future.

I expressed my concern to both Commerce and Treasury that the Plant might be sold to a scrap dealer seeking to demolish the Plant. I asked for the support of Commerce and Treasury to preserve and redevelop it for future use and job creation. Understanding the facility's value to the community for future economic development opportunities, both agencies worked with me to ensure that Plant was saved.

Today, I met with community leaders to receive an update on the effort to bring jobs back to the Plant. The community continues to seek the successful reuse of the facility, and the interest they have received validates our joint efforts to save the facility. It is my hope that our partnership on this front will continue and that you will remain committed to aiding the redevelopment of the facility by providing resources, assistance, funding, and other means of support available through your agency to the community and future tenants.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter and for your continued commitment to economic development and job creation.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Turner  
Member of Congress